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GIGANTIC PLOTS TO DDESTOY SHIPS

Armed troops presenting a barrier of bayonets at every pier on the San Francisco waterfront will be the next move in the system of precautions to frustrate the enemy conspirators engaged in a plot for the wholesale destruction of vessels, docks and cargoes.

Major General Arthur Murray, commander of the Western department of the army, following a conference with J. O. Davis, collector of the port, stated today that he will place at the disposal of the port authorities any number of soldiers they may request to guard shipping.

Both military and civil authorities pointed out that the use of troops will not mean martial law on the waterfront. The situation will continue under the control of the local federal authorities and the navy.

With the plot known to involve not only this port, but the Pacific Coast and the entire seaboard of the United States, authorities at all ports worked at high pressure today to complete the chain of safeguards.

So complete is the information obtained by the federal government and transmitted to the port authorities and police that the exact hour fixed by the plotters for putting their plans in effect is known, it was reported. The imminence of this hour prompted two secret conferences here last week to discuss plans for guarding against the impending blow.

ROOSEVELT FLAYED IN U. S. SENATE

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21. — The greatest political debate in the Senate since the United States went to war burst out today when Senator William J. Stone, disregarding the advice of other administration captains arraigned leaders of the Republican party as playing politics with the war with the object of taking the government into their own hands by partisan criticism.

Fully prepared to reply, the Republican Senate leaders took copius notes of the denunciation and gave closest attention.

Making his general charges in the most vigorous terms, Senator Stone then dramatically marshalled his "witnesses" as if before a court, to prove them.

Senator Penrose came first; then Chairman Wilcox of the Republican National Committee, and lastly, the "star witness," Colonel Roosevelt, whom Senator Stone denounced as "the most potent agent the kaiser has in America," and the most seditious man of consequence in America.

Despite several Conferences with other leaders who were apprehensive of a partisan address at this time, the Missouri senator delivered his speech with characteristic emphasis and gestures in full, and the Republicans openly prepared to meet the onslaught.

BOLSHEVIKI MURDERS THOSE AGAINST IT

COPENHAGEN, Jan 21.—A reign of terror has followed the dissolution of the constituent assembly by Bolsheviki troops said a dispatch from Petrograd today.

M. Kokoshkin and M. Shingareff, both members of the cadets and former members of the cabinet have been assassinated by a band of Bolsheviki sailors and workmen. Both were members of the anti-Bolshewiki group.

SOLDIERS TO SHOOT STRIKERS IN AUSTRIA

BERNE, Jan 21.—So serious has the internal situation besome in Austria-Hungary through labor strikes and peace demonstrations that Germany has sent large forces of soldiers into industrial centers with orders to shoot down all strikers and force them back into the factories.

There was an unconfirmed report that martial law had been declared in the communities where the industrial tie-up is crippling the war industries.

There was another big peace demonstration in Vienna Sunday when old men and women marched through the streets accompanied by crippled soldiers, disabled in the war.

It is now reported that the closing of Austrias frontier was not due to troop movements, as first hinted, but was considered necessary on account of the industrial troubles.

NEW RULING MADE FOR DRAFTED MEN

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21.—In order that the district boards may review all classifications by local boards in cases of marriages of registrants since May 18, 1917, and secure unforsity of action Provost Marshal General Crowder today notified governors to instruct all governrent appeal agents

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AUSTRIAN PEACE STRIKE SPREADS

LONDON, Jan. 21—The strike movement is spreading throughout Austria-Hungary and it is associated with a demand for immediate peace, according to dispatches received in London from Swiss and Dutch sources. A general strike was declared at Buda Pest on Friday, when the estire transport system came to a standstill and while from all parts of the dual empire strikes and demonstrations are reported.

ITEMS AND PEOPLE AROUND CITY HALL

There was a very good attendance at the meeting of the city council last night, and quite a sprinkling of out of town people. The News registered a complaint a few days ago that a sumber of the old-time boosters were not showing up over across the bay in Richmond any more, and mentioned among them George Wall and Miller, of the realty firm of Chandler, Bourne & Miller, and lo and behold both of them were on hand at the city hall last night. An advertisement in the News has great pulling powers. They were consulting the city fathers about certain improvements upon their tracts along the southern waterfront.

George Cushing was there, with a big cigar and a smile that was childlike and bland. His business was about street paving.

H. W Wernse was on hand, also. He is squirting mud and play all over the southwest section of the city with a big dredge

Misner and George Posey were off in a corner, as usual, pouring over blueprint maps of the harbor and figuring out just where to dig another hole in the bottom of the sea—they're trying to find McGintie.

Dee Windrum was on hand, full of legal technicalities and such things, not to mention prunes, and stoutly denied the alltgation that he was a candidate for District Attorney.

Chief of Police Walker requested us to announce to all unnaturalized Germans, who must now get their pictures taken, that the De Lux and Snell photograph galleries will make the requined kind for 50 cents for four photographs.

Faris, Johnny Deadrich, Harry Chapman and the other city hall furniture and fixtures were all on hand with clean collars, bright smiles and cordial greetings for everybody—except editors.

Santa Fe and S. P. Give Better Rate

The Southern Pacific and Santa Fe railroads have given Richmond the same freight ratings as San Francisco, Oakland, Los Angeles and Portland. This makes the rates out of and into Richmond much lower than formerly, and that if the municipal wharf can be accommodated for ocean-going vessels, freight can be handled direct, giving Richmond the same shipping advantages as the five largest sea ports on the Pacific coast.

It is understood that the Standard Oil Company is arranging for a big shipment of goods to inaugurate the new ratings for Richmond.

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POPULATION OF RICHMOND OVER 25,000

Attendance At Schools Show Large and Steady Growth

An expert on school statistics finds that by multiplying the average daily attendance of the schools of a city by eleven we find the total population of that city. The average daily attendance in Richmond from August 7, 1916, to June 1, 1917, was 2,201. This represents a population of 24,211. The average daily attendance for the year preceding that was 2117, representing a total population of 23,187, or an increase of 2,024.

When the schools opened in January, 1917, for the second semester of the term, the enrollment was 2491. When the schools opened this January the enrollment was figured at 2860, an increase of 371 pupils, or an average daily attendance increase of 350. This represents a population increase of 3850 from January 1917 to January 1918.

In all the nine schools included in these statistics, including the Fairmont school in El Cerrito, there are but three rooms which are not in use. There is one vacant room at the Grant school and two vacant rooms at the school in Pullman. The Grant school opened two years ago with twelve rooms, seven of them filled at the opening. There is only one of the five vacant ones vacant now.

A six-room addition has been built at the Lincoln school and all the rooms are in use.

Five class rooms, an assembly hall, a huge basement, holding space for the pupils who bring lunch to eat and remain dry in rainy yeather, and two hat rooms, with additional heating facilities, have been added to the high school building. Every room in the two buildings is in use.

Four rooms, forming a right wing to the old building, have been put on the Peres school building and the school is still slightly crowded. With the great number of people moving into that neighborhood, because of the rapid building of the Turpin land tract in that district, the left wing will be added in a very short time.

The four rooms of the Fairmont school are filled.

Since August of 1917 five new teachers have been added to the teaching force in Richmond. These, aside from the special teachers.

In an interview with a News reporter Mr. Helms said yesterday: "Out of town people come to me daily and ask about the schools in Richmond. I have been told scores of times by some people that they want to move to Richmond but cannot find a place to live. Here it not for the lack of suitable residences the people looking here for homes would have crowded our schools to overflowing. I know of one house in Richmond that was being remodeled and as many as eight people came at different times within a very few days and asked if they could rent it. It is this lack of homes alone that has prevented a far greater growth in the schools of Richmond.

ENGLISH CABINET MEMBERS QUITS

LONDON, Jan. 21.—Sir Edward Carson, minister without portfolio in the cabinet, has resigned. This announcement was made officially tonight.

The prime minister has advised the king to accept Sir Edward's resignation.

The correspondence published shows that Sir Edward's resignation was based on the Irish question and had nothing to do with the conduct of the war.

I. W. W. IS ARRESTED STRICT WATCH KEPT

A dirty, unkempt man, giving the name of Jim Sells, was arrested by Officer Jones Sunday near the Santa Fe crossing on 23rd street. The man is an I W W. He was well supplied with money, regardless of the poor condition of his clothes and appearance. He could give no explanation of his presence there and resisted arrest very strenuously. He assaed the police officer and assed the police judge when taken before him, and as a consequence was jailed. He will be turned over to the sheriff for further investigation.

Among others arrested Sunday and Monday were Charles Sutherland, for vagrancy, and John O'Connell, found in an old barn near the Stege cap works. O'Connell has a number of aliases and his unexplained presence near the cap works was regarded as very suspicious. He was jailed.

Orders have been issued by Police Chief Walker to arrest every man who cannot give a satisfactory account of himself. Guards have been doubled around important factories and deputy sheriffs placed on guard in a number of places with orders to admit onbody without a written ad signed permit and to arrest them if they look the least bit suspicious.

Insurance Men to Form Board

All insurance men of Richmond have been called to a meeting in Musicians' hall, 12th street and Macdonald by W. S. Duval, secretary of the Poard of Fire Underwriters of the Pacific, the meeting to take place tonight.

The object of the meeting is to place life insurance business in Richmond on a broad basis. Such a board would be formed by 20 or 25 insurance men and would provide for the supervision and correction of ratings and also have the value of the recognition of the fire underwriters. The organized voice which is now lacking would be provided by the board system.

Home Entered By Burgular

A man entered the home of Dan Eisenberg, local shoe man, last night, through a window. He had opened and was going through a dresser drawer when he became frightened and left. The police were notified but no trace of the man was found.

SEAGRAVE COMPANY TAKES LIBERTY BONDS FOR ENGINE

Wall Street Discussion Continued—Pittsburg Buys Jail Cells— New License Ordinance

An act of patriotism hardly expected in a case of this kind was divulged when a letter from the Seagrave company from whom the city recently purchased a powerful pump engine, was read before the city council last night. The company agreed to accept in payment, either in part or in full, Liberty Bonds now held by the city for the engine. The bonds will be taken at par.

In connection with this engine, the State Board of Fire Directors reported in a communication that the test made of the engine last Friday met with every requirement of the National Board of Underwriters.

Wall Street Controversy

Acceptance of Wall Street improvement by the council was postponed for further consideration till April 1. Property owners, represented by Attorney Faulkner, W. Sanford, Mr. McIlveen, George L. Wall of the Richmond Land Co., and others filed a protest which was recognized by the council. George Cushing, the contractor who paved Wall street, on account of absence from the city at the time the work was done, recognized the contentions of the petitioners and agreed to give a bond that he would make all corrections, alterations and additions that would bring the work up to specifications. Mr. Cushing also agreed to keep Wall street in repair for a term of years without cost to either city or property owners.

Jail Cells Sold

The City of Pittsburg tendered an offer of $275 net for the old jail cells owned by the City of Richmond. The offer was accepted.

City Wants Proof

Replying to a communication from the American Dredging Company of San Francisco stating the company's employees were amply insured, the clerk was instructed to request the dredging company to furnish the city a certificate from the insurance company.

New License Ordinance

An ordinance regulating license fees for peddlers and outside dealers was introduced, but was recalled. A new license ordinance is to be prepared, stipulating a flat rate for wagon or autos of $100 each per year, payable in advance, and providing a license of $100 per year for each additional wagon or auto or solicitor. The rate of $15 per quarter for vegetable peddlers will not be altered. Firms with permanent places of business are to be exempted.

Liquor Licenses

Charles Unge applied for transfer of liquor license of the Stege Bar on 47th street from Harry McNdill to himself. Referred to the license committee.

Permission was granted the license committee to transfer the liquor license in operation from C. H. Dowden to M. Ward.

City Will Insure

The State Insurance Industrial asked for a decision of the city on the employees' liability insurance for 1918. The clerk was instructed to inform the commission that the city had decided to carry its own insurance.

Routine Matters

A resolution adopting plans and specifications for surfacing Standard avenue passed the council. The top dressing will consist of two inches of rock-filled asphalt.

The contract and bond of the American Dredging Company, which has been at work for several days past in the channel off No. 1 Richmond municipal wharf, was accepted by the council.

A. Vossbeck filed a protest on a double assessment on lot 1, block 3, Eastshore Park. Laid over for a week.

A committee from the California Traffic Officers Association requesting a donation of $25 was ordered placed on file. The money was to be used to advance the traffic laws of the state.

Sunday morning, rain or shine, at 10:30, members of the city council, in company with Engineer Chapman, will make an inspection of the property owned by M. A. Hancock, which the latter claims was damaged when the street was put through.

On motion of Mayor Lane the clerk was instructed to request the Santa Fe to put up a light at the corner of the old depot building at the Sixth street crossing. Mayor Lane stated the shack was the hangout of all the tramps and bums who follow the railroads.

Women Car Cleaners On S. P. Ry. Now

Women are proving highly efficient in the work of cleaning cars, according to Southern Pacific officials, who this week ordered more crews of the women workers, with women "foremen," for the Oakland yards. Nearly 700 cars are handled daily in the Oakland yards.

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TROTSKY AND BOLSHEVIKI ARE BOTH RIGHT AND WRONG

We have been studying the claims and doctrines of Leon Trotsky and the Bolsheviki of Russia, trying to get at just what is in their minds, and to look at it from their point of view, which is the only way to judge correctly of any thing.

We find them, in our opinion, to be both right and wrong—right as to their reasoning about the basic cause of the world's troubles, and wrong as to the remedy.

There is no question in the mind of any fair-minded student of history but what this is a capitalistic war, brought about by capitalistic exploitation of all the products of the earth, including the producers thereof. The war is over which should rule the world economically, Germany or England. The national troubles, desire for freedom and all that sort of thing, on the part of Serbia, Rumania, the Poles and other dependent races of Europe were but secondary and unimportant considerations in the real causes which brought about this awful world's tragedy. Rivalry for predominance in capitalistic exploitation is the real basic cause and that has been brewing and growing for fifty years.

The United States is in that capitalistic mess almost as much as Germany and England, though probably that alone would not have caused us to enter the war had our rights not been trampled upon by Germany. It was the reason, however, why we supplied England with money and munitions while we were supposed to be netural.

Granting all this to be true, as Trotsky and the Bolsheviki of Russia claim, and as all extreme socialists claim, it does not necessarily stand to reason that their remedy is the right one. In point of fact it is not, and for the one very important reason that they, like all socialistic reasoners, have failed to take into account a great, big fact that has to be reckoned with—human nature.

That the products of the earth, and the producers, have been and are being exploited by capitalism, is a fact. That much of this exploitation is dishonest, dishonorable and altogether wrong is also true, but the theories of the Trotskys and the Bolshevikis and other extreme socialists as to the way to remedy these wrongs is altogether another thing. The wrongs are admitted, and we also admit that the remedies suggested would also be right were it not for that one all-important thing—human nature.

Human nature is full of greed and selfishness, and that must first be eradicated, to some extent at least, before the exploitation of the many by the few can ever be successfully done away with.

This paper is to some extent a labor paper—that is, it advocates the right of organized labor, and is on the side of the under dog in the fight as a general rule, while not being radical, and always trying to keep track of the rights of everybody. But just the same, it holds that human nature knows no caste. The workingman or common every day man is just as full of the traits common to human nature as the capitalist is, and given like opportunitits he would do just about the same as the other fellow does, for that very reason.

Taking away from the rich today all that they have, and giving it to the poor, would not solve the problem at all, for the reason that tomorrow the same problems would be in evidence again; the wealth would very soon get into the hands of a few again and the same socialistic calamity howler would be sitting in the fence corner, grumbling and growling and clamoring for another division of vroperty.

When it comes to the deficiencies and weaknesses of human nature we are all tarred with the same stick, and those weaknesses must be strengthened and eradicated before the great wrongs can be righted.

And the scheme of Trotsky and the Bolsheviki will not right them. There is only one remedy for these wrongs that we can think of, and that is for everybody to try their level best to get right down to the practice of the teachings of Christ.

We may pass all the laws we want to, those with wealth will continue to buy off the lawmakers, officers, courts and juries, and if you throw out one set of officials and put in another, the new ones soon become tained with the glitter of the gold, because of the greed and selfishness inherent in their human nature.

There are many fine theories, but they do not work out in practice. And they never will until much of the greed and selfishness of human nature is eradicated. And that will never be until we realize that we are only the agents here of a higher power, and that individually we ourselves are no more than any other big ant hill full of insects swarming around and trying to see which can grab the biggest bread crumb.

In this connection it will be noticed by the latest dispatches, appearing elsewhere in this paper, that the Bolsheviki leaders have just murdered in cold blood a number of the leaders of the opposition, for no other reason than that they were not on the Bolsheviki side. Thus it is proven that one side has no more toleration for the rights or beliefs of the other than has the other. If we are to have our throat cut we believe we would just as leave have it done by the German autocracy, or the capitalistic class, as by the "people," as exemplified by the Russian Bolsheviki.

The price of soap has gone up some, but not sufficient to warrant so many swearing off taking a bath.

The most contemptible fish we know anything about is a man who is a roaring lion at home and a rabbit down town.

MINES AND MINERS ON THE SCREEN TODAY

A whole city of boards was erected for the Metro Super Feature, "Their Compact," starring Francis X. Bushman and Beverly Bayne, which will be seen at the Richmond Theater today. The scene of "Their Compact" is placed in a mining town, "Silverville," a community of "shacks." To build this city for the purposes of the picture, more than eleven thousand feet of lumber was used.

The scenes were actually taken at Arctic City, N. Y., a relic of earlf mining days. The buildings there are made of logs, and the story of "Their Compact" called for board ashcks. So Director Edwin Carewe set a young army of carpenters to work, and in 24 hours the log city was transformed into the likeness of the one wanted. Every building had been boarded over, and the effect desired was obtained. Then it was that Francis X. Bushman as "Jim" Moore began to woo sweet Mollie Anderson (Beverly Bayne) and the man to man fights with the miners were staged that will thrill spectators and kll hem anew with delight at Bushman's splendid feats of strength.

All the mining scenes are true to life, and in "Their Compact" the public has been given a super-feature in every scene of the word.

NATURALIZATION FRAUDS PROBED

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21.—A nation-wide probe of naturalization papers is being conducted by the department of justice. Already fraudulent practices in obtaining citizenship papers have been uncovered in large numbers and numerous arrests have been male, it stated officially. Justice officials believe they have broken another thread in Germany's spy web.

JAPANESE WARSHIPS AT VLADIVOSTOK

PETROGRAD, Jan. 21.—Formal protest was sent to Tokio by the people's commissaries today against landing of any Japanese troops at Vladivostok.

Dispatches from Tokio, while admitting that warships had been dispatched there to afford protection to allied citizens and allied property, insisted that no troops had been landed.

A BILLION NEEDED TO FINANCE ROADS

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21—A billion dollars must be advanced to the railroads for improvements before they will be on an effective war basis, Director of Control McAdoo announced today. At the same time, McAdoo came out definnitely against government ownership of the roads.

McAdoo said his survey of the rail situation has convinced him government funds must go into the roads to help them expand.

He forecast government control for some time when he said congress should not limit government control to any definite period

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That the taxes on all personal property secured by real property, and one-half of the taxes on real property, will be due and payable on the

Third Monday in October, 1917, and will be delinquent on the first Monday in December next thereafter, at six o'clock p. m., and that unless paid prior thereto fifteen per cent will be added to the amount thereof, and that if said one-half be not paid before the

Last Monday in April, 1918, at six o'clock p. m., an additional five per cent will be added thereto. The remaining one-half of the taxes on all real property will be payable on and after the

First Monday in January, 1918, and will be delinquent on the

Last Monday in April, next thereafter, at six o'clock p. m., and unless paid prior thereto, five per cent will be added to the amount thereof.

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TO WORKING MEN AND BUSINESS MEN

BUILDING TRADES COUNCIL
Richmond, Dec. 20, 1917.

Editor "Richmond News"
Greeting:

"The Contra Costa County Building Trades Council assembled in regular session and in due appreciation of the fact that the "Richmond News" is favorable to the cause of Organized Labor, and has shown by its course and policies that such is the case requests of its members and all who are affiliated or friendly with Organized Labor in Richmond, that they subscribe for and become readers of the "Richmond News," thus giving it their moral and financial support. "The Building Trades Council also appreciates the advertising and other patronage given the "Richmond News" by the citizens and business men of Richmond as being deserved, and hopes to see that patronage largely increased for the coming year of 1918.

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J. O. DAHL, Sec.
(SEAL)

CENTRAL LABOR COUNCIL

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Richmond, Dec. 19, 1917.

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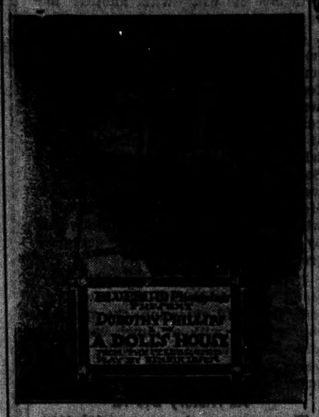

Joseph De Grasse, who introduced Dorothy Phillips to the Bluebird program, has made a screen version of Ibsen's "A Doll's House" and will present Miss Phillips as Nora Helmer at the Macdonald Theater today, with Lon Chancy and William Stowell her principal supporters at the head of a specially selected company. Ibsen's master work has sold into the millions as a book and has been used as a play by numerous stars of the legit, but this is the first time in moving pictures for the great domestic problem.

Another Hold-up Food-pad Escapes

Mrs. J. G Tremaine, 458 Fifth street, was held up shortly before midnight Sunday night near the Porcelain works at Sixteenth street and Barrett. Her cries for help aroused H B Kister, but when he arrived on the scene the hold up man had gone.

Mrs. Termaine says that the man was well dressed in a dark suit and looked apparently harmless when she passed him, lighting a cigarette. He followed her on the opposite side of the street and at Twelfth and Barrett he crossed to her side of the street and struck her in the breast, knocking her to the sidewalk. He was in the act of reaching into the front of her dress, in the hope of finding her purse, when Kister was seen approaching. The man has not been found.

Aside from a soreness where the man struck her, Mrs. Tremaine is none the worse for the adventure today. Mr. Tremaine is a conductor for the Oakland Traction Company.

W. C. T. U. Plans All Day Prayer

The Richmond W C T U will meet this afternoon at the home of Mrs. Kate Miller, 225 Fourth street. The members of the union are sewing garments for the soldiers and all are requested to be present at the meeting to turn out the largest amount of work possible.

Arrangements have been completed by a committee composed of Mrs. Rhoades and Mrs. Kirkpatrick for an all day prayer meeting at the First Presbyterian church next Thursday. Luncheon will be served at noon.

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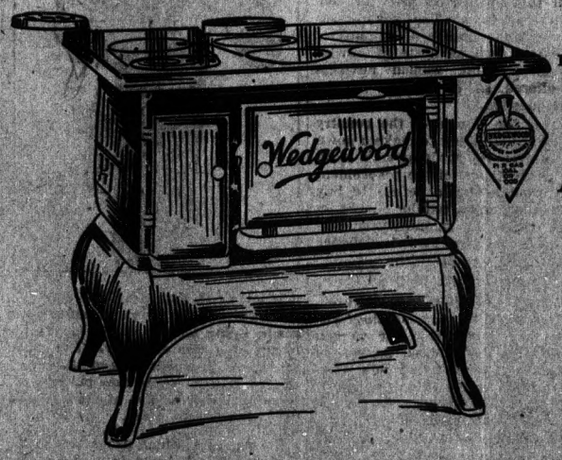

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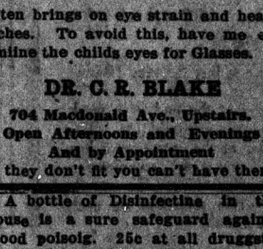

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Officers installed were: Mrs. Hollenbaugh, commander; Mrs. Jones, lieutenant; Mrs. Down, chaplain; Mrs. Stoddard, record keeper; Mrs. Wanderlick, finance auditor; Mrs. Deitrick, lady at arms; Mrs. Raff, sergeant; Mrs. Screggs, sentinal; Mrs. Downey, picket.

As past commander, Mrs Church was presented with a beautiful cut glass jelly dish by members of the lodge. Mrs Theis, past commander before Mrs. Church, was presented with a past commander's pin.

The committee for the evening was composed of Mesdames Lauffer, Church and Hollenbaugh.

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Both Sides to Controversy Satisfied With the Arrangements Made—General Labor News of Interest Throughout the World.

Labor disputes in the Chicago stock yards virtually have been settled, it was said, following a hearing conducted by President Wilson's labor mediation commission at which representatives of the packers and the men were present. The agreement, it is said, will apply to packing houses in Omaha, Forth Worth, Kansas City, East St. Louis and other cities, as well as Chicago. Details remained to be settled. The packing house owners declared they want wage scales, working hours and other details worked out by a referee appointed by the government, whose word shall be final, and the men are willing.

The Gulf Refining company of Texas posted notices that, beginning January 1, 1918, it will no longer pay an annual or quarterly bonus as has been done for the past two years, but will make an increase in wages of 10 per cent. This increase will apply to all employees of the refineries at Port Arthur, and will be based upon the scale paid September 30 and will be in addition to an increase of 10 per cent granted September 31. This means that the men will receive an increase of 20 per cent over what they received on September 30.

Elevator operators in Omaha have issued an appeal to citizens to aid them in a protest against owners of buildings who are installing woman operators at $10 and $15 a month less than was paid men who resigned to join the army or who have been discharged. Attention is called to the federal government's stand that no lowering of living standards shall take place because of the war. Among the discharged operators are men who have families to support.

The 424 telegraphers employed by the Chicago & Eastern Illinois have been granted a 26-day month, shorter workday, increased overtime rate and $10 per month each. The increase amounts to approximately $50,880 per year. The Northern Pacific & Soo line have granted similar concessions, effective January 1.

Practically all of the 15,000 ironworkers affected by the strike ultimatum of the Iron Trades council asking a 10 per cent wage bonus had walked out of the 250 foundries and plants in the San Francisco bay region, engaged in industries other than shipbuilding, according to announcement of the California Metal Trades association.

The Railway Mail association, with a membership of 13,000 railway mail clerks, has been granted a charter by the American Federation of Labor, Edward J. Ryan of Boston, the association president, announced. Mr. Ryan said this action was taken despite Postmaster General Burleson's "known opposition."

A conference is expected to be called, jointly by Newton D. Baker, secretary of war, and William B. Wilson, secretary of labor, to consider the application of the eight-hour-day plan to lumber plants where material is being produced for the United States government.

More than a half-million working days—the equivalent of the labor of 20,000 workmen for a solid month—have been lost to the government's shipbuilding program through strikes and lockouts, R. V. Stevens of the shipping board told the senate investigating committee.

A handsomely engraved souvenir pledge signed by the 9,000 employees of the Washington navy yard, declaring their allegiance to their country in the war, has been presented to President Wilson.

The Pennsylvania railroad has the right to work men 16 hours a day, according to a decision handed down by the United States circuit court of appeals in Philadelphia.

A strike on the Bay State Street railway is under consideration. Unless concessions demanded by them are met by the company 4,500 men will go out.

Sioux City (Ia.) Packing House union has broken one organized labor record in that city. In the last two meetings its membership has increased 402.

The Athy-Wolfhill (Ireland) railway strike has been settled, the men to receive an advance of 12 cents a day and a reduction in the working hours.

There are two large labor organizations in England—the British Trades Union congress, with a membership of 3,000,000, and the General Federation of Trades Unions, with a membership of 1,000,000.

Twenty-five thousand copper miners in Butte, Mont., after having been on strike for five months, voted to return to work in the Great Falls and Anaconda mines.

The department of labor announces that an amicable adjustment has been effected in the controversy involving some 600 butchers and their employees in Los A...

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SKIRTS NARROW AND SHORT

American Tailors and Manufacturers of Ready-to-Wear Clothes Will Co-Operate in Campaign of Conservation.

New York.—Patriotic action is demanded of women in clothes as well as in food. There was an important meeting in New York which consolidated the co-operation of the trade with the commercial economy board, which has its headquarters in Washington. The government knew that it

This suit protects from the cold and conserves wool. The short skirt, which is of beige-colored wool, extends to the bust and is met by a deep yoke and sleeves of chiffon. The velveteen coat has collar and cuffs of peltry and huge pockets made from pieces that were left from the skirt.

was useless to appeal to women to save wool in the building of their clothes, under the present commercial circumstances of clothes selling. The great majority of women buy their clothes. They do not make them at home. They buy what they can get, and they do not know the amount of material contained in a garment.

Therefore, the government made its appeal for co-operation in the conservation of wool to those who make and design women's garments. At this meeting it was resolved and rules were formulated that no man or woman in America would use over 4½ yards of wool in any costume, and less, if possible.

The response to these rules was given not only by the dressmakers, but by the manufacturers, the mill people, the ready-to-wear department stores and private dressmakers. The decision was far-reaching. It is now up to the women of America to carry out for the government a continued process of conservation in wool. It will not be a hardship. One will not have to face the chasms of doubt and despair that opened up with the conservation of food. The government does not want a standardized uniform for women, such as hosts of unwise but well meaning women advisers have offered as a solution of the clothes question.

All that the women of the country are asked to do is not to make a gown that has over 4½ yards of wool in it, and it is the appeal of the government that a woman should refuse to buy from a tailor, and a retailer should refuse to buy from a manufacturer, garments that have been made in defiance of this urgent appeal.

Long Jackets to Go.

The American tailors and manufacturers of ready-to-wear clothing will cut out the long jacket for women when it is made of wool, no matter how light the weave; they will eliminate fullness in the skirt and cut it as short as decency will permit. Three and a half yards of wool is a good average measurement for the majority of women, but the government will look kindly upon those retailers and dressmakers who must deal with large and stout customers, and even here it is believed that individuality of design and a plentiful use of other materials, rather than wool, will produce a gown of charm and satisfaction.

The slim silhouette will be accepted between Hudson Bay and Palm Beach and then crosswise. The woman who cries out against a narrow skirt either because of tradition or an artistic perception of what her figure needs, need not sit in the corner and wail and gnash her teeth. All she has to do is to eliminate wool from her gown or suit or to combine the governmental measure of wool with another material.

Coming, as the reform does, at the hour when spring and summer fashions are being conceived, the necessity for being careful with worsted material brings less hardship than if the reform had been launched last July. It is true that the great mass of people who do not live in the South and Southwest buy a vast quantity of lightweight worsted clothes for February, March and April; but they are quite willing to have the worsted enlivened by chiffon, satin, silk or georgette crepe.

If the women of this country understand what is behind the new fashions, they will enter into the spirit of conservation with as much eagerness and zealous desire to do right as they have in the saving of meat, wheat, sugar and cereals.

As History Did It.

These men on the commercial economy board need have no fear of obstinacy or rebellion against their decree. The women of other days and other countries entered into the spirit of economy in clothes with as much eagerness as they entered into the extravagance of apparel. The whole thing is in giving women an emotional idea which they are to work out to completion and success among themselves. Obedience does not appeal to them, but co-operation through persuasion sends them into a flame of endeavor.

It may be prophesied right here that there will be more novelty shown in clothes than there has been for several years or, possibly, ever before. It may not be shown by the women, but it will be expressed by the dressmakers.

One of the quick ways which has leaped into fashion for women to conserve wool for the army is the use of a short, slim separate skirt with a cutaway coat of velveteen, heavily lined. Women who have such costumes declare that they will wear these skirts with corslet blouses of soutached silk and satin in the spring, thereby saving cotton for the government.

Hats made of worsted have already been replaced by those of satin and velvet.

Entire coat suits made of worsted have narrow bias flounces mounted on a taffeta or satin foundation. The short jacket which goes with these skirts is so heavily trimmed with fur and has such a wide waistcoat of satin or matelasse that it can be considered a bit camouflage.

Much Peltry Used.

One of the very smart gowns made for a bridal trousseau, which used up less than 4½ yards of thin woolen material, had two bias flounces across a taffeta skirt with a deep hem of peltry, and a blouse of embroidered satin with wristlets of peltry, over which was a coatee of the wool with wide Chinese sleeves—the only bit of extravagance—edged with peltry and lined with colored satin. There was a sailor collar of peltry and a Japanese bow of satin pulled through two loops in the back of the coat, to flare from the waistline.

There is another coat suit in which less than four yards of wool have been used. The skirt is narrow and slim and extends into a loose corslet effect over the waist to the bust. Above that is a chiffon yoke with long sleeves in the same color. The cut-

Woolen suit that meets decree. The skirt has two flounces of wool laid on a silk lining which gets its depth by means of a hem of peltry. The short coat shows a waistcoat and sleeves of satin with a Japanese bow pulled oddly through buttonholes at the back, to flare out from the waist.

away top coat, which drops below the knees, is loosely hung from the shoulders and made of dull green velveteen with an immense cape collar of peltry held closely about the neck with a scarf of velveteen. As a bit of trickery, to show that the coat and skirt are intended to go together, odd bits of the wool that were left from the cutting of the skirt have been stretched across the hipline of the jacket in the form of loose pockets. These are brilliantly lined and held in place with a fur button.

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to appeal all cases where local boards have granted deferred classification is either class 2 or class 4 on account of such marriages.

GERMANY MASSING TROOPS IN BELGIUM

PAARIS, Jan. 21.—Germany has massed more than 250,000 fresh troops in Belgium for an offensive, it was stated today by competent military observers. An Amsterdam telegram reports the presence of many Austro-Hungarian soldiers in Belgium, adding that the province of Limburg is literally vrowded with them.

(Note—The foregoing indicates that if Germany undertakes a great offensive on the western front she may make another effort to break through the British front to the channel.

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